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In re the Application of:

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For: INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION/REPRODUCTION CONTROL APPARATUS,  
INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION/REPRODUCTION CONTROL METHOD, AND  
COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED WITH INFORMATION  
DISTRIBUTION/REPRODUCTION CONTROL PROGRAM

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on April 14, 2003. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed by April 14, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please AMEND claims 2-7, 9, 11 and 12-13 and CANCEL claims 1, 8, 9 and 14 in accordance with the following:

✓ 1. (CANCELED)

2. (ONCE AMENDED) The information distribution/reproduction control apparatus according to claim 3, further comprising:

a change-over unit to be manipulated by an operator for changing over the control of the reproduction control unit to other control,